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**1. Public comment period extended for six water quality plans and the 2004 impaired water list**

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED FOR SIX WATER QUALITY PLANS AND THE 2004 IMPAIRED WATER LIST**

DES MOINES — The public comment period for draft TMDLs for six Iowa waterbodies has been extended until April 13, 2005.

TMDLs (Total Maximum Daily Load) are calculations used to determine how much of a pollutant a water body can receive and still maintain its designated uses, such as supporting aquatic life, allowing body contact such as swimming or use as a drinking water supply.

The six waterbodies are: the Little Floyd River, Storm Lake, Easter Lake, Lake Macbride, Milford Creek, and Yeader Creek. The draft TMDL documents can be found on the DNR's Web site at

<http://www.iowadnr.com/water/tmdlwqa/tmdl/publicnotice.html> .

The public comment period for Iowa's Draft 2004 Impaired Waters List has been extended from April 1 until April 15, 2005. The list and other supporting information can be found on the DNR's Web site at

<http://www.iowadnr.com/water/tmdlwqa/wqa/303d.html> .

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